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State: AZ

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Zip Code: 85718

Company: Tucson Electric Power Company

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Division: Electric

Nature Of Opinion

Docket Number: E-01933A-15-0322

Docket Position: Against

We are writing as captive customers of Tucson Electric Power here in Pima County. We are a retired couple living on a fixed amount on "income", SS benefits and savings. We do not think it is justified to spend \$109 million dollars on Solar (aka non-fuel power) nor is it justified or fair to increase our electricity rates as proposed und this Docket.

As you know electricity is of vital importance here in Arizona especially in the Summer months where it is essential for living.

The requested increase in the rates for the "average" bill from \$105.57 to \$117.48 is an increase of $(117.48 - 105.57) / 105.57 = 11.28\%$ on average, although it is not stated how many winter and how many summer months are in that increase calculation.

Our "winter" bill (for November) is \$116.97 for 910 KWH (taking total KWH and dividing by the total amount due), or \$0.1285/KWH

Our "summer" bill (for July) \$316 for 2411 KWH (again taking total KWH and dividing by the total bill amount), is \$0.1311/ KWH.

We, as most of you, have approximately 6 "summerish" months and 6 "winterish" months.

Hence, on average an 11.28% rate increase would mean an increase of

$$11.28\% \times (6 \times \$316 + 6 \times \$116) = 11.28\% \times (\$1896. + \$702) = 11.28\% \times \$2598 = \$298!$$

That is money I just have not got with zero increase in SS and zero increase in savings.

So you see it is not an \$11.91 dollar increase as stated in the TEP flyer, it is $12 \times \$11.91 = \142 increase, or, in our case, a yearly increase of almost \$300.

Why would TEP request this increase anyway. Oil and Natural gas costs on the market are much, much lower now that just a year ago. The Fed says that inflation rate is less that 1% per year. Higher rates for electricity do not encourage growth in this county, as TEP states on its website. Tucson is not growing, Tucson is shrinking. Just look at all of the empty store fronts everywhere throughout Pima county. An increase in electricity costs is not warranted.

It is very difficult to justify an 11.3% rate increase at this time as Docket No. E-01933A-15-0322 is requesting. We are against this requested increase.

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Thank you.

Hank and Lacy Goede

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